

The first sentence of this application following the title has been amended according to CFR §1.78(a)(5)(iii):

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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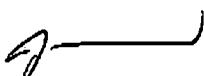
Page 1, the first sentence following the title:

The present application is a continuation-in-part application to the copending application, U.S. Serial No. 09/580,319, filed on May 26, 2000, entitled "KEYBOARD  
10 SYSTEM WITH AUTOMATIC CORRECTION", and continuing application, U.S. Serial No. 10/205,950, filed July 25, 2002 entitled "CHINESE CHARACTER HANDWRITING RECOGNITION SYSTEM", and claims priority to the U.S. provisional application 60/461,735, filed on April 9, 2003, entitled "DIRECTIONAL SLOPPY TYPES", the contents of which are incorporated by reference herein.

Applicant hereby request that the above amendment be entered under CFR  
§1.78(a)(5)(iii).

Respectfully Submitted,

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